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SUBJECT: INCREASED NERVOUSNESS ABOUT ISRAELI SPIES
AND SABOTEURS

1. TWO MINOR INCIDENTS ILLUSTRATE SOMEWHAT INCREASED STATE OF NERVES IN EGYPT PROBABLY AS RESULT OF GROWING KNOWLEDGE OF SIZE AND EXTENT OF ISRAELI PENETRATION OF WEST BANK. FIRST INCIDENT OCCURRED MORNING OCTOBER 27 WHEN CROWD OF APPROXIMATELY 200 PERSONS SURROUNDED RED CRESCENT VAN, APPARENTLY IN SUSPICION THAT OCCUPANTS OF VAN WERE ISRAELI INFILTRATORS. INCIDENT WAS BROKEN UP BY POLICE. SECOND EVENT OCCURRED O AFTERNOON SAME DAY WHEN, REPORTEDLY, CROWD OF MORE THAN 1000 EGYPTIANS BEGAN SHOUTING AND HURLING IMPRECATIONS AT "JEWISH-LOOKING" BEARDED EUROPEAN IN TAHRIR SQUARE. POLICE WERE ALSO FORCED TO BREAK UP THIS GROUP AND TAKE THE EUROPEAN AWAY FROM SCENE IN GREAT HASTE.

2. WESTERN CORRESPONDENTS IN CAIRO HAVE REPORTED TO US INCREASED NUMBER OF SECURITY CHECKS OVER PAST DAY OR TWO, PARTICULARLY OF NON-EGYPTIANS. AT LEAST ONE CORRESPONDENT WAS TWICE TAKEN IN BY POLICE ON OCTOBER 26 FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION AND WAS LATER RELEASED. SUFFRAGI CIRCUIT HAS ALSO EVIDENCED INCREASED CONCERN AT ISRAELI
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INFILTRATORS.

3. COMMENT: THE TWO INCIDENTS REPORTED IN PARA 1 HAVE LED TO MANY RUMORS, EACH ONE MORE SPECTACULAR THAN ITS PREDECESSOR. NEVERTHELESS, GOE DOES APPEAR TO BE ON SOMEWHAT INCREASED STATE OF INTERNAL ALERT. AT SAME TIME, IT IS ATTEMPTING IN VARIOUS WAYS TO MINIMIZE PERCEIVED THREAT OF IDF FORCE ON WEST BANK (SEE SEPTEL REPORTING HEYKAL'S ARTICLE TODAY).
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